GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:89
ANSWERED ON:23.02.2006
RAIL CONTAINER TRANSPORT POLICY
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have recently announced the policy to allow private players in the rail container freight business;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof;

(c) whether some private companies have evinced interest in this regard;

(d) If so, the details thereof;

(e) whether this policy of the Railways is likely to affect the labour force in the Railways; and

(f) if so, the steps taken or being taken by the Railways to protect the interest of these labour force?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI LALU PRASAD)

(a) to (f) : A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (f) OF STARRED QUESTION No. 89 BY SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI AND SHRI K.IRTI VARDHAN SINGH TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 23.2.2006 REGARDING RAIL CONTAINER TRANSPORT POLICY.

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The scheme is open for all registered Indian public/private sector companies/persons either individually or in joint venture. It will include Indian Registered companies of foreign entities. All applicants who deposit the requisite registration fee and fulfill the minimum criteria of experience and financial capability as per the policy will be permitted. The registration remained open from 16.1.2006 to 15.2.2006 in the current year.

(c) & (d) : Following companies have registered themselves for the permission.

(i) Pipavav Rail Corporation Ltd.
(ii) Gateway Distripark Ltd.
(iii) Container Corporation of India Ltd.
(iv) United Liner agencies of India (P) Ltd and J.M.Baxi & Co.
(v) Hind Terminals Pvt. Ltd. and MSC Agency (India) Pvt. Ltd.
(vi) Reliance Infrastructure Engineers Pvt. Ltd. and Sonata Investment Limited.
(vii) ETA Engineering Pvt. Ltd. and Dinesh International Ltd.
(viii) India Infrastructure & Logistics Pvt Ltd..
(ix) Mundra International Container Terminal Pvt. Ltd.
(x) South India Corporation (Agencies) Ltd..
(xi) Delhi Assam Roadways Corp. Ltd..
(xii) Adani logistics and Gujrat Adani Port Ltd..
(xiii) Central Warehousing Corporation
(xiv) Bothra Shipping Services & M/s Bagadiya Brothers Pvt. Ltd.

(e): No, Sir.

(f): Does not arise.